

Latest Report of the working of the Vendurutti Leper Asylum.

Mr. A. B. SALEM. (*Jews*).

14. Will the Government also be pleased to lay on the table the latest report on the working of the institution (Vendurutti Leper Asylum)?

DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE (*Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer.*)

The member is referred to the Administration Report for 1929, copy of which is placed on the table.

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

I had asked a few more questions about it. I do not know whether it has been postponed for the next session? About Vendurutti Leper Asylum, I mean.

PRESIDENT.

With reference to this, any supplementary question? The other questions, if ready, may come on the ensuing days.

APPENDIX 1.

Letter dated 25th June 1924 from Mr. A. B. Salem.

I have the honour to enquire as to what the Government intend to do with reference to the Leper Asylum and Sankariah Home for which public subscription was raised with the approval and sanction of the Government by the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer. The fund was raised upon the explicit undertaking that it was for the purpose of opening an Asylum for these helpless people and an Home for the untainted children of lepers. As a contributor to the said fund, I think I am entitled to make this enquiry. I have information that these buildings were completed as early as April 1922 and the object of this trust has not been fulfilled up-to-date and I am anxious to know the reason before the matter is taken further.

I shall therefore thank you to let me know in what state the matter is and the reasons if any as to why the object of public subscription and trust have not been carried out so far.